

# HELLO SNOW MINI ALBUM

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Of all of the projects I make, mini albums are my family's favorite. I don't make them much though, because they can be very time consuming. But as soon as I saw the adorable envelopes in the Front Row Card Kit, I knew that they would be perfect for a mini album. I had a ton of photos from our recent trip to Pennsylvania and got some great shots of my family playing in the snow. So with my project decided upon and a plan for keeping things simple, I got to work.

## SUPPLIES

Supplies: Front Row Card Kit, Popcorn Add-on; Die cut machine /Cartridge-Provo Craft (Cricut Expression 2 and Creative Memories 'Tis the Season (snowflakes) and Creative Memories Divine Wedding (hearts) cartridges; Glitter - Doodlebug Design; Ribbon- World Market; Eyelets - Provo Craft; Pen-American Crafts; Ink - Clearsnap; Binder rings - Craft supply; Corner rounder - Marvy; Circle punch - EK Success; Binding Edge border punch - EK Success; Hole punch - We R Memory Keepers; Pinking shears - Fiskars; Stapler - Office supply; Adhesive - Zip Dry & Foam Dots -American Crafts; Ink - Clearsnap; Binder rings-Craft supply; Corner rounder -Marvy; Circle punch - EK Success; Binding Edge border punch - EK Success; Hole punch - We R Memory Keepers; Pinking shears-Fiskars; Stapler - Office supply; Adhesive - Zip Dry & Foam Dots

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For the cover:

The cover is where I usually spend my most time and have the most fun. I used the largest envelope as a guide for the size of my mini album. I created a 6 x 4" panel from multicolor striped patterned paper and rounded the corners on the right side. I machine sewed around the top, right, and bottom edges with a decorative stitch and natural thread. I punched out a border with the Binding Edge punch from grey patterned paper, adhered it along the left side of the panel, and trimmed the excess. I die cut snowflakes and hearts from white cardstock. I layered the snowflakes and hearts, covered the cuts with liquid adhesive and glitter, and adhered the cuts on the right side of the paper panel. I trimmed a talk bubble die cut and stapled it onto the panel, then added the date with a black pen. I adhered the "hello" wood Speech Bubble to the left of the snowflake cuts. I finished the title by layering letter stickers, a button, and orange Enamel Dots to a label die cut. I then adhered the label to the bottom right corner of the panel. I adhered the finished panel to a chipboard base and punched two holes on the left edge using the smallest envelope as a guide.

For the first page:

I adhered a 6 x 1 1/4" yellow graph patterned paper strip to a 6 x 4" yellow striped patterned paper panel. I machine sewed a 6 x 1/2" strip of green patterned paper over the edge where the papers met with a zigzag stitch and natural thread. I rounded the corners on the left side of the panel with a corner rounder. I punched out a border with the Binding Edge punch from grey patterned paper, adhered it down the right side of the panel, and trimmed the excess. I trimmed a talk bubble die cut and stapled it onto the panel, then added the location with a black pen. I added two small photos, a wood Speech Bubble, and blue Enamel Dot, and a glittered snowflake/heart die cut to finish the panel. I punched holes on the right side and then adhered the panel to the back of the mini album cover.

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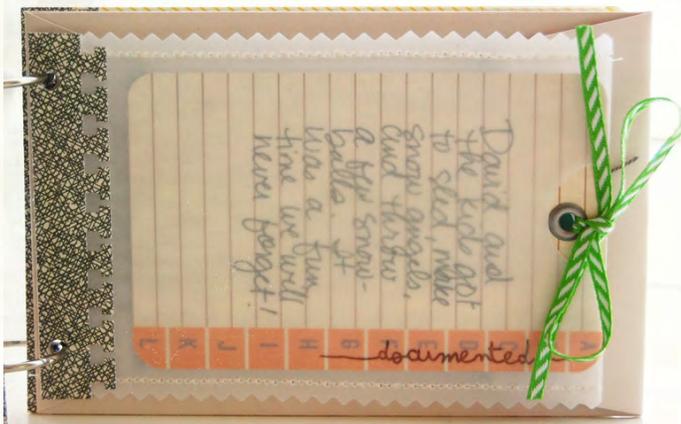
**For the envelope:**  
I adhered a strip of gray patterned paper along the flaps on both sides trimming the excess. I added letter stickers to the bottom of the envelope, and then punched holes on each end.

**For the pocket/tag:**  
I cut a vellum sheet to 11 x 4", folded the panel in half, machine sewed along the top and bottom edges with a decorative stitch and natural thread, and then trimmed the edges with pinking shears. On the left closed end, I punched out two borders with the Binding Edge punch from grey patterned paper, adhered them on the front and back sides, trimmed the excess, and punched two holes. On the right open end, I punched a half circle with a circle punch. I stamped the "documented" sentiment on the bottom right corner with charcoal ink. I then cut a 3 7/8 x 4 1/2" panel from ledger patterned paper for the tag, rounded the corners, added an eyelet to the top, and tied a bow with green ribbon. I added journaling before adding it to the pocket.  
the mini album cover.

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I repeated the previous steps for the remaining pages of the mini album. For the back, I repeated the steps for the cover and left all of the embellishments.

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I then bound the mini album together with binder rings and added a white ribbon bow on the top ring.

Creating mini albums be fun and easy, and you can cut down the time it takes by keeping your design simple. Thanks so much for reading this Tips & Tricks tutorial. I hope you enjoyed it!

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